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TO AMEMBASSY CONAKRY  
INFO USMISSION USUN NEW YORK

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E.O. 11652: XGDS-4

TAGS: SHUM, GV

SUBJECT:HUMAN RIGHTS IN GUINEA - PRISONER AMNESTIES

REF: CONAKRY 2404 AND 2379

DEPARTMENT ENCOURAGED TO SEE THAT GUINEA PROCEEDING WITH  
RELEASE OF POLITICAL PRISONERS AND THAT TOTAL NUMBER OF  
PRISONERS MAY BE LESS THAN PREVIOUSLY ESTIMATED. WOULD  
APPRECIATE EMBASSY ASSESSMENT OF REASONS FOR RECENT RE-  
LEASES. TO WHAT EXTENT WERE THEY RESULT OF U.S. EXPRESSIONS  
OF CONCERN ON HUMAN RIGHTS? PLEASE DESCRIBE MORE FULLY ROLE  
OF FRENCH GOVERNMENT AND UNITED NATIONS. ARE THEY DESIGNED  
TO LEND CREDIBILITY TO APPEALS FOR THE RETURN OF EXILES?  
DO THEY FIT INTO PATTERN OF PREVIOUS RELEASES OR DO THEY  
REPRESENT SOMETHING NEW? SHOULD DEPARTMENT SUBSTANTIALLY  
REVISE PRESENT ESTIMATES OF APPROXIMATELY 1,000 PRISONERS  
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IN GUINEA? HAVE SOURCES DISCUSSING NUMBERS OF PRISONERS  
WITH EMBASSY MENTIONED PRISON CONDITIONS OR COMMENTED ON  
RECENT USE OF TORTURE OR STARVATION?

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## Message Attributes

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